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ARE YOU PROUD OF YOUR PROFESSION?

If you have pride in being a member of our profession, then we invite you to apply for membership in the American Bar Association, unless you are already a member. It needs active manpower. It needs you.

The question is not what the American Bar Association can do for you. It can and will do more things for you than can be enumerated here. For example, its members make twice as much money as non-members.

But, our profession exists not primarily for any selfish gain of its members. Its justification is that it is dedicated to public service. Ask your heart if you have done your part.

In the name of our profession, of its public duty and of our beloved free country, we call upon all lawyers to become active members of their community, state and national bar associations, to give of their time and talent to bring themselves and their organized bar to the public influence and leadership of this country in its time of crisis. Those who have neglected any part of this high duty must never neglect it again, if they would be fully respected and honored by their brothers.

We urge all lawyers to fulfill their obligations by becoming or by getting members in the bar associations, by faithfully reading their journals, by finding their fields of greatest interest where they are most needed and by rolling up their sleeves and doing their share of the work that waits for them.

Won't you join with us in the greatest work you could do? The Headquarters of the American Bar Association, 1140 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois, will be glad to supply you with as many membership blanks as you may desire.

CODY FOWLER, President, American Bar Association.

WILL YOU BE CORRECTLY LISTED IN THE NEXT MARTINDALE-HUBBELL?

Information regarding changes in listing in the Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory (1952 edition) for subscribers as well as non-subscribers including the address of a former member or associate, if known, should reach the publisher at Summit, New Jersey, *not later than September 1st*. If so requested, this information will be held in confidence until the publication date which will be about January 1, 1952.

Lawyers not currently listed should be certain that the following information, i.e., name, address, year of birth, state and year of admission and educational data reaches the Company by the date indicated above either on the Company's Personal Report Form or by special letter. This is very important as the Special Lawyers Census Committee of the American Bar Association is

working through the Martindale-Hubbell organization in the making of a census of all American lawyers, including those in government or military service, corporate employment, teaching positions, retirement, etc.

DENVER COURTS ELIMINATE UNNECESSARY PAGES FROM CERTIFICATIONS

On July 19th the County and District Courts of Denver inaugurated a policy of supplying certified documents without including placitas, preambles or separate certification sheets. This action was taken in order to save attorneys and their clients unnecessary recording expenses due to the increase in recording fees to \$1.25 per page.

Judge David Brofman of the County Court of Denver addressed a request for an opinion to the Real Estate Standards Committee of the Denver Bar Association as to the legality and acceptability of eliminating these items from certifications. The committee, in approving their elimination, said in part:

"The committee is of the opinion that the placita and the preamble heretofore attached to such certifications are not required by any known statute and are further of the opinion that if these additional pages were omitted from the certification the certified copy would be acceptable, upon recording, for real estate title purposes. The committee is further of the opinion that if a rubber stamp were properly executed and ensealed such stamp would be sufficient certification."

The committee did not feel competent to pass upon the need for such extra "trimmings" on certifications to be used out of state. As a matter of policy the Clerks of the County and District Courts will now supply certified documents without placitas, preambles or separate certification sheets unless the requesting attorney specifically directs otherwise, or unless an exemplified copy is requested.

The Form Standardization Committee of the Colorado Bar Association will attempt to secure state-wide approval of this new certification policy.

THE BOOK TRADER'S CORNER

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